

MINUTES

BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Betty Gosney called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

2. ROLL CALL OF MAC MEMBERS:

Betty Gosney, Chair – Present
Israel Fuentes, Vice-Chair – Present
Jackie Cox – Present
Gary Grossich – Present
Larry Burgos – Absent
Eric Scott – Absent

3. DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE:

Gregory Young – Director, West Valley Water District Board of Directors
Linda Gonzalez – Vice President, West Valley Water District Board of Directors

4. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:

Israel Fuentes made a motion to appoint Gary Grossich Chair for 2016 and Jackie Cox seconded the motion. The motion carried with 3 votes in favor and no opposition.

Gary Grossich made a motion to appoint Israel Fuentes as Vice Chair for 2016 and Jackie Cox seconded the motion. The motion carried with 3 votes and no opposition.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of December 1, 2015 meeting were approved after adding MAC Member comment from Gary Grossich.

6. STAFF REPORTS:

CHP – Officer Riley is back on patrol following his leave. He stated that he is regularly in the area monitoring traffic and for the community to inform him of any traffic issues. Officer Riley will bring a presentation to the meeting next month regarding current traffic laws.

Sheriff's Department – Sergeant Silva provided stats for January. He informed the community that the Fontana Station sent 4 deputies and 1 detective to the Chino Hills station to cover the west end of the County, which should reduce response times from the Fontana station. He expressed his condolences to Detective Phillips and the loss of his K-9 JoJo. Sergeant Silva introduced Deputy Stowell, who is the school resource officer assigned to Bloomington.

Special Districts – Tim Millington provided an update on the Kessler Park improvement project and gave the community a timeline for completion. Special Districts is currently accepting bids for the permanent installation of the equestrian arena, they have finished installing the irrigation lines with the assistance of Mark Raubolt and his crew, and they will seed the ball fields in the next few weeks.

County Fire Department – Battalion Chief, Steve Lasiter provided information regarding warming fires set by transients during cold weather months and asked the community to report any smoke or warming fires.

Supervisor Gonzales' Office – Erika Willhite provided information regarding the homeless point in time count that took place on January 28. She stated that the Supervisor's office continues to receive calls regarding community mailbox vandalism and reported that she is working with the Sheriff's Department and the Post Office to find a long term solution. Erika gave an update on the grand opening for the new Bloomington Branch Library, Bloomington Grove and Lillian Court family and senior housing on Valley Blvd.

7. DISCUSSION ITEM:

Code Enforcement Priorities – Erika Willhite advised the MAC that Supervisor Gonzales would like to fund additional code enforcement activities in Bloomington and asked the community to identify up to three (3) priority areas to focus on. The MAC held a discussion with the community and concluded that the focus should be: illegal businesses (specifically food and goods vendors), truck parking, storage and repair and large parties. The MAC ad-hoc committee will work closely with code enforcement to ensure that the priority areas are being targeted.

Topics for Upcoming Agendas –

- TBD – San Bernardino County Finance Presentation on Bloomington Tax Revenue
- TBD – Updates to County Ordinances related to Parks and Noise
- TBD – West Valley Water District Updates and Water Conservation
- TBD – REC Center Students Performance
- TBD – Fire and Earthquake Preparedness

8. COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- Bus trip to Vegas – The San Bernardino Valley Riders are hosting a turnaround trip to Stateline on Saturday February 27, 2016. The cost is \$30 per seat and must be purchased by 2/19.
- Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser – The Citizen's on Patrol will host a spaghetti lunch fundraiser at Ayala Park on April 9, 2016. Tickets are \$6.00 and can be purchased from any Fontana COP or Explorer Scout.
- Trail Trials Clinics – Saturday March 12, 2016 at the Kessler Park Arena.
- Little League – Opening day is Saturday April 2 with their pancake breakfast fundraiser starting at 7am and opening ceremonies at 10am.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Yancy Martin – Mr. Martin wanted to introduce himself to the community. He owns a State Farm insurance branch on Riverside Avenue and wanted to offer his services to anyone who might be interested.

Linda Gonzales – Mrs. Gonzales gave the community information regarding rebates for removal of turf and encouraged the community to call West Valley Water District (909) 875-1804 ext. 300 for more information. She reminded the community that outdoor watering is only permitted 2 days per week and encouraged everyone to attend their board meetings at 6pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month.

Greg Young – Mr. Young introduced himself to the community as a newly elected Director on the West Valley Water Board. He informed the community that the rate payers will be receiving a rebate check due to the Board voting unanimously to rescind the rate increases for 2016-17 and refund the increase from 2015.

10. MAC MEMBER COMMENT:

Betty Gosney – Mrs. Gosney thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Israel Fuentes – Mr. Fuentes read Mr. Daniel Walt Las' obituary. Mr. Las was a longtime Bloomington resident, faithful MAC member and attendee and a founding member of the Bloomington Community Boosters. He wished everyone a happy new year and thanked them for coming. Mr. Fuentes reminded the community to call the Sheriff's Department to report any suspicious activities.

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Gary Grossich – Mr. Grossich asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Las. He thanked Betty Gosney for her service as chair of the MAC. Mr. Grossich expressed that he would like to revisit the small business recognition program, the code enforcement ad hoc committee role, provide general plan update information to the community, and support the efforts of the Kessler Park improvement project.

Jackie Cox – Mrs. Cox thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She expressed her concern regarding the large parties that are frequent in Bloomington.

11. ADJOURN MEETING:

Gary Grossich adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm in memory of Daniel Walt Las.

NEXT MEETING
March 1, 2016 at 6:30pm